

208) at land-based border entry ports from October 1, 1998, to October 1, 1999. Section 110 requires the Immigration and Naturalization Service [INS] to implement an entry-exit system at all entry points to the U.S. H.R. 2920 would still require the INS to implement an entry-exit system at U.S. airports and seaports by October 1, 1998, and would also require the INS to implement Section 110 in such a way that would not significantly disrupt or impeded trade or tourism.

I was a proud supporter of immigration reform last year, and believe that an entry-exit system should be an integral part of U.S. efforts to address illegal immigration. However, I believe Congress should provide the INS additional time to implement Section 110 at land-based border entry points. There are simply too many land-based entry points into the U.S., six in my district, for the INS to implement an entry-exit system by the end of next year. Allowing the INS to first implement an entry-exit system at U.S. airports and seaports should give the INS additional time to implement an entry-exit system in such a way that would not cause unnecessary delays at border crossing. Mr. SPEAKER, there have been numerous legislative proposals to address concern about Section 110, and I have been supportive of legislative corrections to Section 110. It is possible that Congress will pass such corrective legislation next year, but I believe this is too important an issue to leave unresolved until then. I thank my colleague from New York for introducing his bill at this time, and ask my colleagues to support H.R. 2920.

Mr. MCHUGH. Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from Texas [Mr. SMITH] that the House suspend the rules and pass the bill, H.R. 2920.

The question was taken.

Mr. WATT of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not present.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Evidently a quorum is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 325, nays 90, not voting 18, as follows:

[Roll No. 627]

YEAS—325

Ackerman	Blunt	Chambliss
Aderholt	Boehlert	Chenoweth
Allen	Boehner	Christensen
Andrews	Bonilla	Clement
Archer	Bonior	Coble
Armey	Bono	Collins
Bachus	Borski	Combest
Baker	Boswell	Condit
Baldacci	Boyd	Cook
Ballenger	Brady	Cooksey
Barcia	Brown (OH)	Costello
Barr	Bryant	Cox
Barrett (NE)	Bunning	Coyne
Barrett (WI)	Burr	Cramer
Bartlett	Buyer	Crane
Barton	Callahan	Crapo
Bass	Calvert	Cunningham
Bateman	Camp	Danner
Bereuter	Campbell	Davis (FL)
Berman	Canady	Davis (VA)
Bilirakis	Cannon	DeFazio
Blagojevich	Cardin	DeGette
Bliley	Castle	Delahunt
Blumenauer	Chabot	DeLauro

DeLay	Kildee	Porter
Deutsch	Kilpatrick	Portman
Diaz-Balart	Kim	Poshard
Dickey	Kind (WI)	Pryce (OH)
Dicks	King (NY)	Quinn
Dixon	Kingston	Radanovich
Doolittle	Klink	Rahall
Doyle	Knollenberg	Ramstad
Dreier	Kolbe	Redmond
Duncan	Kucinich	Regula
Dunn	LaFalce	Riggs
Ehlers	LaHood	Rivers
Ehrlich	Lampson	Roemer
Emerson	Latham	Rogan
Engel	LaTourette	Rogers
English	Lazio	Ros-Lehtinen
Ensign	Leach	Royce
Eshoo	Levin	Ryun
Everett	Lewis (CA)	Sabo
Farr	Lewis (KY)	Sanders
Fawell	Linder	Sanford
Fazio	Lipinski	Sawyer
Foley	Livingston	Saxton
Forbes	Lofgren	Schaefer, Dan
Fossella	Lowey	Schumer
Fowler	Lucas	Sensenbrenner
Fox	Luther	Sessions
Frank (MA)	Maloney (CT)	Shaw
Franks (NJ)	Maloney (NY)	Shays
Frelinghuysen	Manton	Shimkus
Furse	Manzullo	Smith (MI)
Galleghy	Markey	Smith (NJ)
Ganske	Mascara	Smith (OR)
Gejdenson	McCarthy (MO)	Smith (TX)
Gekas	McCarthy (NY)	Smith, Adam
Gephardt	McCollum	Smith, Linda
Gibbons	McDade	Snowbarger
Gilchrest	McGovern	Solomon
Gillmor	McHale	Souder
Gilman	McHugh	Spence
Goode	McInnis	Spratt
Goodlatte	McIntosh	Stabenow
Goodling	McIntyre	Stearns
Gordon	McKeon	Stump
Goss	McNulty	Stupak
Graham	Meehan	Sununu
Granger	Menendez	Talent
Greenwood	Metcalf	Tanner
Gutknecht	Mica	Tauscher
Hall (OH)	Miller (FL)	Tauzin
Hall (TX)	Minge	Taylor (NC)
Hamilton	Moakley	Thomas
Hansen	Mollohan	Thornberry
Hastert	Moran (KS)	Thune
Hastings (WA)	Moran (VA)	Thurman
Hayworth	Morella	Tiahrt
Hefley	Murtha	Tierney
Herger	Myrick	Towns
Hill	Nadler	Upton
Hilleary	Neal	Vento
Hinchey	Nethercutt	Visclosky
Hobson	Neumann	Walsh
Hoekstra	Ney	Wamp
Holden	Northup	Watkins
Hooley	Nussle	Watts (OK)
Horn	Oberstar	Waxman
Hostettler	Obey	Weldon (FL)
Houghton	Olver	Weldon (PA)
Hoyer	Oxley	Weller
Hulshof	Packard	Wexler
Hutchinson	Pallone	Weygand
Hyde	Pappas	White
Inglis	Parker	Whitfield
Istook	Pascrell	Wicker
Jenkins	Paul	Wise
John	Paxon	Wolf
Johnson (CT)	Pease	Woolsey
Johnson (WI)	Peterson (MN)	Young (AK)
Jones	Peterson (PA)	Young (FL)
Kanjorski	Petri	
Kaptur	Pickering	
Kasich	Pickett	
Kelly	Pitts	
Kennedy (MA)	Pombo	
Kennelly	Pomeroy	

NAYS—90

Abercrombie	Clyburn	Fattah
Baessler	Coburn	Filner
Becerra	Conyers	Ford
Bentsen	Cummings	Frost
Berry	Davis (IL)	Green
Bilbray	Deal	Gutierrez
Bishop	Dellums	Harman
Brown (CA)	Doggett	Hastings (FL)
Brown (FL)	Dooley	Hefner
Carson	Edwards	Hilliard
Clay	Etheridge	Hinojosa
Clayton	Evans	Hunter

Jackson (IL)	Owens	Shadegg
Jackson-Lee	Pastor	Sherman
(TX)	Payne	Skeen
Jefferson	Pelosi	Skelton
Johnson, E. B.	Price (NC)	Snyder
Kennedy (RI)	Rangel	Stark
Klecza	Reyes	Stenholm
Lantos	Rodriguez	Stokes
Lewis (GA)	Rohrabacher	Strickland
LoBiondo	Rothman	Taylor (MS)
Martinez	Roybal-Allard	Thompson
Matsui	Rush	Torres
McKinney	Salmon	Traficant
Meek	Sanchez	Turner
Millender	Sandlin	Velazquez
McDonald	Scarborough	Waters
Miller (CA)	Schaffer, Bob	Watt (NC)
Mink	Scott	Wynn
Ortiz	Serrano	

NOT VOTING—18

Boucher	Foglietta	McDermott
Burton	Gonzalez	Norwood
Cubin	Johnson, Sam	Riley
Dingell	Klug	Roukema
Ewing	Largent	Schiff
Flake	McCrery	Yates

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Messrs. WYNN, TORRES, ABERCROMBIE, LOBIONDO, SHADEGG, BOB SCHAFFER of Colorado, SCARBOROUGH, and SHERMAN changed their vote from "yeas" to "nays."

Mrs. MALONEY of New York, Mr. MOAKLEY, and Mr. KENNEDY of Massachusetts changed their vote from "nay" to "yea."

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the bill was passed.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

## THE JOURNAL

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Pursuant to clause 5 of rule I, the pending business is the question de novo of the Speaker's approval of the Journal of the last day's proceedings.

The question is on the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

## FURTHER MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A further message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate had passed bills of the following titles, in which the concurrence of the House is requested:

S. 1189. An act to increase the criminal penalties for assaulting or threatening Federal judges, their family members, and other public servants, and for other purposes.

S. 1228. An act to provide for a 10-year circulating commemorative coin program to commemorate each of the 50 States, and for other purposes.

S. 1507. An act to amend the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 to make certain technical corrections.

## REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF S. 738, AMTRAK REFORM AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1997

Mr. DIAZ-BALART (during consideration of H.R. 2920) from the Committee

on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 105-400) on the resolution (H. Res. 319) providing for consideration of the bill (S. 738) to reform the statutes relating to Amtrak, to authorize appropriations for Amtrak, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RESOLUTIONS IN PREPARATION FOR THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE FIRST SESSION SINE DIE.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, by the direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 311 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

H. RES. 311

*Resolved*, That upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House a joint resolution waiving certain enrollment requirements with respect to certain specified bills of the One Hundred Fifth Congress. The joint resolution shall be considered as read for amendment. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) One hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the majority leader and the minority leader or their designees; and (2) one motion to commit.

SEC. 2. Upon the adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider in the House a joint resolution appointing the day for the convening of the second session of the One Hundred Fifth Congress. The joint resolution shall be considered as read for amendment. The previous question shall be considered as ordered on the joint resolution to final passage without intervening motion except: (1) One hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the majority leader and the minority leader or their designees; and (2) one motion to commit.

SEC. 3. The Speaker, the majority leader, and the minority leader may accept resignations and make appointments to commissions, boards, and committees following the adjournment of the first session sine die as authorized by law or by the House.

SEC. 4. A resolution providing that a committee of two Members of the House be appointed to wait upon the President of the United States and inform him that the House of Representatives has completed its business of the session and is ready to adjourn, unless the President has some other communication to make to them, is hereby adopted.

SEC. 5. A concurrent resolution providing that the two Houses of Congress assemble in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Tuesday, January 27, 1998, at 9 p.m., for the purpose of receiving such communication as the President of the United States shall be pleased to make to them is hereby adopted.

SEC. 6. House Resolution 306 is laid on the table.

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The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). The gentlewoman from Ohio [Ms. PRYCE] is recognized for 1 hour.

Ms. PRYCE of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to my friend, the

gentlewoman from New York [Ms. SLAUGHTER], pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, on Friday night, with little debate, the Committee on Rules reported House Resolution 311 by voice vote. This rule provides for the consideration and adoption of resolutions in preparation for the adjournment of the first session of the 105th Congress sine die. The rule includes a laundry list of items that the House must take care of in preparation for the end of the year, when it is time for us to leave Washington and go home to our families and constituents.

For example, the rule makes in order a joint resolution that would waive certain enrollment requirements with respect to specified bills, so that after legislation is passed, it can be sent to the President for his signature without delay.

Further, the rule provides for consideration of a joint resolution that specifies the day when the 105th Congress will reconvene for a second session. Each of these resolutions will be debatable for 1 hour, equally divided between the majority and minority leaders, and will be subject to a motion to commit.

Further, with the adoption of this rule, a resolution to provide for the appointment of two Members of the House to inform the President that the House is ready to adjourn, unless he has some other communication to make to the House, will be adopted. Other housekeeping items this rule provides for will allow the Speaker, majority leader, and minority leader to accept resignations and make appointments to commissions, boards, and committees following adjournment.

This rule also disposes of H. Res. 306, which the House has no need to consider.

Finally, this rule looks forward to the time when we will return to Congress next year, refreshed and renewed, ready to work, by setting the date for the President's State of the Union on Tuesday, January 27, 1998, at 9 p.m.

Mr. Speaker, as we plan for adjournment, it is worthwhile to reflect on the accomplishments of the first session of the 105th Congress. And we have a lot to be proud of. Perhaps most notably, the 105th Congress passed legislation to provide tax relief for the first time in 16 years. Through your efforts, we have given 41 million children a tax credit, we have slashed the capital gains tax to promote economic growth, and we have reined in the death tax to provide relief to family-owned farms and businesses.

At the same time, we reached our goal of enacting a balanced budget that will eliminate the deficit by slowing the growth of government spending and creating a small, more effective Federal Government. Through that same legislation, we saved the Medicare program from bankruptcy, extending its

life for at least 10 years, so that today's seniors and future generations will have the affordable, quality health care they so strongly deserve.

And that is not all. This House has passed legislation to move children from foster care to permanent homes. We passed legislation to give workers the flexibility of opting for time off rather than overtime pay, and we passed housing reforms to help low-income families.

In recent days, we have started down the path to overhauling our onerous tax system by passing legislation to reform and restructure the IRS. And the education reform measures we have adopted will give hope to children eager to learn and the promise of choice to parents who want the best for their kids.

Mr. Speaker, we have worked hard, and it shows. Now it is time to wrap up our work, go home to our families and constituents, and renew ourselves for the legislative challenges that lie ahead. Adoption of this rule will take us one step closer to the completion of a very productive first session, and I urge its swift adoption.

Mr. Speaker, I reserve the balance of my time.

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I yield myself such time as I may consume.

(Ms. SLAUGHTER asked and was given permission to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. SLAUGHTER. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate that the two of us are about as popular as we can get this evening, holding this crowd. However, it is necessary for us to do this or the business of the Republic cannot go on; it is that important.

Mr. Speaker, for the most part, the rule provides for usual housekeeping duties that are required to bring a session of Congress to a close. I do not oppose those provisions, but I do believe that they should only be brought up at the appropriate time, when we have completed all of our vital pending business.

A major issue that needs to be addressed before we leave is campaign finance reform. The 1997 elections merely enforce the obvious problems with our campaign finance laws that we learned in the 1996 elections. The use of massive amounts of soft money on supposed "issue advertising," which was intended and succeeded in affecting the outcome of individual races; the failure of disclosure rules to adequately inform the public, because of noncompliance and delayed compliance with the current rules; the continued laundering of money through supposed nonpartisan, nonprofit interest groups must stop.

House Members on both sides of the aisle know it is necessary, because 187 Members of this Congress have taken the extraordinary step of signing Discharge Petition 3 to force a full discussion of a variety of proposals. The American public deserves better than